

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of Masashi ANDO

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BALL POINT PEN

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REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT & REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF PRIORITY DOCUMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In the Notice of Allowance issued on July 2 2004, there is no acknowledgement of the Information Disclosure Statement filed on April 19, 2004. Attached please find a copy of the Information Disclosure Statement, a copy of the PTO/SB/08 A & B form, a copy of the Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) and a copy of the date-stamped receipt.

Also, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner acknowledge receipt of the claim to priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 for the above-identified application.

Attached please find a copy of the Submission of Priority Document, and a copy of the face of Japan 2002-307180 and a copy of the date-stamped receipt.

Applicant respectfully request that these documents be considered by the Examiner and entered into record.

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